

HOUSE BILL 1255

By Tindell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
relative to public notice.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 44, Part 1, is amended by adding a new, appropriately designated section thereto:

§8-44-1___. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, when a local government is required to give any notice to the public by publication in a newspaper, the local government may instead give such public notice by posting the appropriate information on the local government's web site or by using other electronic means generally available to the public such as electronic newspapers or newsletters, if:

(1) The local legislative body adopts a resolution or ordinance setting out the procedures the local government shall use for posting public notices on its web site; and

(2) The local government publishes such procedures at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality at least thirty (30) days prior to implementing its electronic public notice procedures.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.